Edgar Allan Poe Summary

Edgar Allan Poe was born on January 18, 1809 in Boston Massachusetts. When Poe was four years old he was looked after by his foster parents after his mother’s death and his father’s abandonment.

He attended the University of Virginia for a semester but left due to financial problems. Family turmoil turned Poe back in the direction of Boston where he was enlisted as an officer cadet at West Point. After the fail of his military career Edgar parted ways with the Allan’s completely and started his own career as a poet. He worked on literary journals and periodicals where he was known for his style of literary criticism.

During his work he moved to various places including Baltimore where he married his 13 year old cousin in 1835. Ten years later Poe released a poem called the Raven that he had written about his wife after she passed away from the same disease as his foster and birth mother.

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Tell Tale-Heart

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